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Prior to examination, using clean copies of the Specification and Claims and also marked-up versions of such, we respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and remarks:

In the Specification (Clean copy as amended)

Please replace the paragraph spanning pages 15 and 16 with the following:

Furthermore, the spinning oil applied will contain lubricant, emulsifier and antistatic agent, etc. Specifically, examples include mineral oils such as liquid paraffin, fatty acid esters such as octyl palmitate, lauryl oleate and isotridecyl stearate, dibasic acid diesters such as dioleyl adipate and dioctyl sebacate, esters of polyhydric alcohols such as trimethylolpropane trilaurate and coconut oil, aliphatic sulphur-containing esters such as lauryl thiodipropionate, nonionic surfactants such as polyoxyethylene oleyl ether, polyoxyethylene castor oil ether, polyoxyethylene nonyl phenyl ether and

